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### NEWSLETTER

## COLONNADE PARK TENANTS SECURITY ASSOCIATION

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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED - MAJORIE ELLIS has been elected as the new President of the CPTSA. Ms. ELLIS formerly served as First Vice President of the Association. CISCO CARTER and CHERYL WILKERSON are First and Second Vice-Presidents, respectively. Returned to the offices of Secretary and Treasurer are MARIE MITCHELL and DORIS DREYFUSS. Rounding out the Association's Executive Committee are the Building Representatives: A Building - STEVEN MILLS; B Building - BOB RICH (who left recently); C Building - INGE HANSEN and D Building - READA JELLINEK.

The purpose of the Committee is to concern itself with the improved quality of life for the Colonnade Apartments, and to serve as a liaison between tenants and management in effecting this goal.

Changing population patterns have brought about a change in our neighborhood. As part of an effort to improve the overall safety in our area, each of us must be concerned with our immediate living area, the colonnades. With your support, the Committee will be working earnestly to help generate these needed changes.

WHO'S MINDING THE STORE? - Twenty-four-hour security service with additional guard patrols is a BIG PLUS for residents. In addition to the efficient beefed-up patrol of the parking lots and grounds, newly appointed Sgt. JESSE WALKER provides supervision of all guards. Sgt. WALKER sees his new assignment as a challenge and aims to greater improve the effectiveness of the Guard Service.

INFORMATION PLEASE .....

Colonnade Park Realty Co.
Rental Office - 484-8300
Management Office - 484-0070
Maintenance Office - 484-7273
Guard Service A and B Bldgs: 483-0474
C and D Bldgs: 483-0473

City of Newark
Fire Department - 733-8344
Police Department - 733-6161
Mayor's Office - 733-6400

AND ANSWERS .....

QUESTIONS .....

How can I clean the vent above my stove without standing on a ladder? (M.E. - C Bldg.)

I have an eastern exposure. Water my plant once a week. Yet my diffenbachia is yellowing. What's the problem? (N.B. - A Bldg.)

What's the best placement for my speakers for quadrasonic sound in my studio apartment? (J.S. - B Bldg.)

The questions appearing in this column are asked and answered by Colonnade neighbors in exchange of apartment living information.

The funds that are now on hand for the Colonnade Park Tenants Security Association will be frozen in a special account in our Treasury and earmarked for TENANTS' SECURITY matters only.

In order to finance the proposed expenses of the future, we are requesting tenants to donate \$1.00. You will be hearing further from us. You will be issued a receipt.

#### INVOLVEMENT

"INVOLVEMENT" is the key word for this year. What can you do to make this a better city? Get "INVOLVED" - right here at your doorstep; right here at the Colonnades. We can make this place in which we live a shining example of positive Community Spirit. OUR CITY IS NOT 'DEAD". Take a look around you. How about the Incinerator Room on your floor? Is it clean? Is it odor free? Is the chute door working properly? If it isn't, find out WHO THREW THE RAW GARBAGE on the FLOOR or in the CHUTE? Find out WHO broke the Chute Door? Find out WHO damaged the wall Ash Receptacle in the hall - Who scrawled lipstick on the walls? Was it your neighbor? You? Your children? Well, one thing for sure, it wasn't Management.....

GET "INVOLVED" and DO YOUR PART by seeing that these things don't happen on your floor.

WE NEED SOMEONE TO REPRESENT "B" BUILDING ON OUR COMMITTEE.....

SUGGESTIONS AND IDEAS WELCOMED ...

CPTSA BULLETIN BOARD: Located in Coffee Shop, Building D. Stop in and read letters on how your Committee has been busy investigating your Security problems and getting results.

CPTSA MAIL BOX: Put your suggestions and your complaints in the box. Make sure you sign your name, Apartment No. and Telephone No. A Committee Member will promptly get in touch with you.

NEW COMMITTEES have been organized to bring the Colonnade Community closer together and provide some "at your doorstep" community activities. The Newsletter is one. CHERYL WILKERSON is the Editor.

Halloween Party for Colonnade children and Special Attraction, a Professional Magician (resident volunteer).

<u>Welcome Committee</u> and <u>Social Problems Committee</u> to ease the adjustment of new tenants and acquaint them with committee purposes and goals and solicit their cooperation in helping to improve the Quality of Life for Colonnaders.

Art Show for Children and Art Show for Adults.

Beautification Committee to enhance our surroundings and discourage litter.

 $\frac{\textit{Laundry Room Committee}}{\text{this facility.}} \text{ to study the problems and suggest}$ 

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#### AD HOC COMMITTEE ON TENANT SECURITY ( AHCTS )

!!BULLETIN!! !! BULLETIN !! !!BULLETIN!!

JUST IN CASE ANY OF YOU EVER THOUGHT THAT THE PROBLEM OF SECURITY HAS BEEN SOLVED, we would like to relate an incident that occurred last night, Thursday, between 10:00-10:15 P.M.. A member of AHCTS was notified by a tenant in the B Building, at which time six members immediately went to find out the details and were told the following: A young girl was forced from the parking lot at gunpoint across the front lawn to the Broad Street side of the grounds between A and B Buildings, WHERE EVERY LIGHT IS OUT OF ORDER. Her assailant succeeded in beating her up and attempting rape before she was finally aided by three passers-by with a large dog. She then sat in front of the B Building, bleeding, for 15 minutes waiting for aid. The guards in BOTH buildings were locking incinerator rooms at the time and the Interstate Security Guard was in the A Building answering a tenant call..... ONCE AGAIN A TENANT HAS BEEN ATTACKED ON COLONNADE PARK GROUNDS.

- AHCTS, Colonnade Park Tenants Security Association, has asked management to maintain and repair lighting within 8 hours. We were told last night that management had received many calls about the particular lights that were out prior to this incident;
- has asked that guards have no maintenance : AHCTS responsibilities;
- AHCTS has demanded that guards be visible and on duty AT ALL TIMES.....

SUPPORT YOUR TENANT SECURITY ASSOCIATION. Contact any of the following for information:

> Clarence Gilliam D501 A2012 Lynne Quance John Thomas D508 D905 Jean Sands

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THIS BULLETIN IS DESIGNED TO KEEP THE RESIDENTS OF THE COLONNADES INFORMED ABOUT THE CONTINUING ACTIVITIES OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON TENANT SECURITY.

- \* Although you have not heard from us in two weeks, our silence does not mean we have been lazy. Quite to the contrary, a lot has happened.
- \* We begin our reporting to you by thanking you for your generous response to our solicitation for \$5.00 donations so that AHCTS might continue its activities. Residents of almost 400 apartments answered AHCTS's plea for operating funds, and their gratifying assistance will make it possible for AHCTS to continue its -- and your -- fight for improved tenant security.
- \* In keeping with our last report to you, we have retained an attorney. After interviewing four attorneys and contacting two others, AHCTS has retained Jerry Friedland, Esquire, a partner in the firm of Barr, Kaplus, Cohen & Friedland. In addition to being considered an expert in tenant law, Mr. Friedland represents several tenant groups, including the tenants in the much-publicized Crescent Park Case. Mr. Friedland's retainer of \$1,000.00 will be sufficient to cover all of his efforts and time in representing the tenants with the exception of actual litigation. We are confident that Mr. Friedland is not only eminently qualified but also capable of assisting us greatly in securing and protecting the rights of Colonnade tenants.
- \* Upon the advice of counsel, we have signed and filed papers creating the Colonnade Park Tenants Security Association as a non-profit corporation under the laws of New Jersey. At the same time, we have elected some new officers. Listed below are the trustees and new officers of the Colonnade Park Tenants Security Association:

Clarence Gilliam ....Co-President, Trustee
Lynne Quance .....Co-President, Trustee
John Thomas ....Vice-President, Trustee
Alan Hornstein ....Vice-President, Trustee
Sharon Long ....Secretary, Trustee
Richard Rogers ....Treasurer, Trustee
Eugenie Sands ....Trustee
William Lorentz, Esq...Trustee
Gary Roberts, Esq...Trustee

\* We will be reporting to you again in the next week or so after our counsel has contacted management and their attorneys. Although we have followed and will continue to follow a policy of full disclosure to you, PLEASE feel free to contact any of the trustees or officers if you have any questions, comments or ideas.